



Wind in the Willows
Willow Ridge Civic Association Members

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Tree Lighting



Stay Tuned: Our annual Christmas Tree lighting date and time will be posted on Facebook and email.

Wind in the Willows

November 2025



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Message from the President

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next WRCA meeting
will be at
Ellicott Creek Fire Hall

January 8 7:30 PM
February 12 7:30 PM
March 12 7:30 PM

Link for these meetings will
be emailed and Posted on our
Facebook Page.

I want thank a number of people this past year on making Willow Ridge such a great neighborhood to live in!

National Night Out 2025! John Miller once again outdid himself in putting together this great event! I personally want to thank the people who donated their time and resources: Anderson's Ice Cream for their delicious Ice Cream! Target for the Children's Bicycles and other "Swag". Amherst Baptist Church for Hot Dogs and Cotton Candy. Ellicott Creek Volunteer Fire Company for leading the parade and demonstrating their equipment. Amherst Police for displaying their equipment and their donation to help pay for this event (would not be possible without them!)

I want to send a huge "Thank You!" to our Willow Ridge Civic Association Board, especially Nicole Nash did a "spooktacular" children's Trunk or Treat event! I want to thank all the participants who volunteered their Trunks, Time and Candy!! A Thank you to ECVFC for bringing over a firetruck! You surpassed the previous celebrations with your decorations and costumes! Thank you to all the Helpers that came out to make The Children's Trunk or Treat a huge success!!



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We are always looking for
volunteers contact us at
President@WRCA.US

Visit us on the web at
WRCA.US

Share your stories!

Do you know of a new neighbor
or maybe a long time friend
leaving Willow Ridge? Have you
or your child made a significant
achievement lately? We want
to know drop off articles/news/
photos email us at witw@wrca.us.

Follow us on Facebook
Willow Ridge Civic Association

Community News

I want to thank all the residents that showed up to our **MEET THE CANDIDATE NIGHTS!** Your attendance is important keep the local government's attention on us when we have issues regarding Willow Ridge!

It is WRCA Membership Drive Time!
So you ask yourself, “Why Join the WRCA?”

- Develop a cleaner, safer, healthier neighborhood and improve the quality of life for residents.
 - Empower residents to have a voice and work toward, and achieve common neighborhood goals, a unified vision of who we are as a neighborhood.
 - Promote friendship, and foster a sense of concern and caring among people in the neighborhood.
 - Develop better awareness and access to the services and agencies of the school, city, and county governments.
 - Solve problems which exist/arise within the neighborhood.
 - Protect youth, and support and strengthen neighborhood schools.
 - Children and Adult events.
 - Directory (of Residents, Baby sitters, Coupons from local vendors)
 - Monthly Newsletters (Wind In The Willows) Neighborhood News and Events
- These are just some of the reasons to renew and join Willow Ridge Civic Association.

Willow Ridge is a Great Place to live! I look forward to welcoming back the renewal members and the Brand New Members!

Stay Safe and Stay Healthy!

President H. Erich Krueger





Community News

Wind-in-the Willows and WRCA Directory

- What's in it for my family?

Wind-in-the-Willows - our newsletter - provides many details about the latest happenings in Willow Ridge and the upcoming free events for the children. It also contains neighborhood news, our own free “classified” section and notices of special activities.

WRCA Directory - our community directory - includes a neighborhood listing, money saving coupons, services and businesses in our community. In addition, there are important phone numbers such as listings for area schools and the Town of Amherst. You will also find a babysitter listing, a detailed map of our community, a guide to our annual events, and more!!

E-wind - Via your email address you will receive a copy of Wind-in-the-Willows electronically.

All members are invited to monthly meetings September thru June, every 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m at Ellicott Creek Volunteer Fire Company.



UPCOMING ADULT ACTIVITIES

The new Fattey Beer Company opened
a new location in Amherst.

**Join us and have some fun
enjoying beer tasting and trivia.**

Details coming soon...



Congratulations **Community Scholarship Award Winners!**

Sebastian Conhiser-Uy

Ethan Olewnik

Eleanor Sauter



Neighborhood Clean Up 2025

Thank You for
Making Our
Community Shine!



ELLCOTT CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE OPEN HOUSE



WRCA 2026 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The 2026 Membership Drive will again provide two methods for becoming a member of WRCA or for renewing your membership – via mail-in or on-line via PayPal.

This issue of the Wind-in-the-Willows contains your 2026 Membership Application along with an addressed return envelope.

The on-line alternative will be via PayPal, a secure method to make your payment via your computer. There will be a link via the WRCA website. If paying by PayPal, please be sure to fill out and submit the form on the link, to ensure that your information for the 2026 directory is accurate.

Membership dues are \$20.00 and are due by December 31, 2025.

Your timely membership payment ensures that you will receive the Wind-in-the-Willows, Emailed Updates and that the 2026 WRCA Directory will be delivered to your house. April 2025 is our target date for delivery.

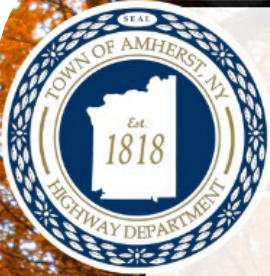
WRCA Meeting Dates **Your Invited**

Every 2nd Thursday of the month September thru June,
at 7:30 pm at Ellicott Creek Volunteer Fire Company.

Also - Join our Facebook Page.

**Leaves are Falling and Amherst Highway Leaf Crews
have started the annual leaf collection process.**

We are a big town with a lot of trees so please be patient as we work our way through the Town throughout the season. Always remember to give road crews room to work so they can go home at the end of the day. Thank you! For a complete list of "Do's and Don'ts" please visit bit.ly/AmherstHighwayLeafCollection.



**Please Be Aware
Amherst Highway Crews
Have Started
Fall Leaf Pickup**

Place your leaves
on the area between the
sidewalk and the curb
or adjacent to the roadway
for those without sidewalks

Very Important
Do **NOT** Rake Leaves
into the Street

www.amherst.ny.us
(716) 631-7117
bit.ly/AmherstHighwayLeafCollection



2026 ADVERTISING REQUEST FOR WILLOW RIDGE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

Name of Company _____

Point Of Contact
& Phone No. _____

Address _____

Email Address _____

We would like to purchase the following:

Full Page (V-7.5" X H-4.5")	\$150.00	_____
1/2 Page (V-3.7" X H-4.5")	\$ 85.00	_____
1/4 Page (V-3.7" X H-1.5") or (V-1.75" X H-4.5")	\$ 55.00	_____

Discount:

Pay by February 15, 2026

- 10%

Total Enclosed \$ _____

(Deadline March 16, 2026. Money and Ad due by March 15, 2026.)

Make checks payable to Willow Ridge Civic Association and mail to:

WRCA Jane Sieman - Directory Editor

P.O. Box 86

Amherst, 14226

Coupon (write text below)

Please note:

Coupons are free with 1/2 or full page ad; \$4.00 with 1/4 ad.

WILLOW RIDGE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY FOR THE YEAR 2026

It is time to begin putting the Willow Ridge Community Directory together again and you are invited to place an advertisement in the 2026 edition. Our directory will carry your advertising message into the homes of the community you serve in a handy 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 booklet that is kept, read, and used for a full year by our Willow Ridge residents.

The directory (published in the spring of each year) lists the names, addresses and telephone numbers of more than 1,200 families who live in the Willow Ridge area. Residents rely on it to contact neighbors and committees and to locate local goods and services. The directory is especially useful to those who are just moving into the area.

Prices are based on "camera-ready" copy (clear, black and white copies of a previous ad or one from another publication the same size as the one you wish to place in our directory. Typesetting will be extra. Minor changes are free. You may obtain quotes or help in setting up your ad by calling the Directory Chairperson. Full page ads are \$150.00, half pages are \$85.00, and quarter pages are \$55.00.

Ads that are purchased and paid by February 15th will receive a 10 % discount. Ads will be placed in the directory in the order of receipt from front to back.

Many advertisers find our coupons to be helpful in generating business. We offer a coupon free of charge with any half or full-page ad. (Quarter page advertisers can place a coupon in the directory for a \$4.00 fee). By offering a discount or special price for your goods or services, you draw attention to your advertisement. Coupons appear in a special tear-out section while your paid advertisement remains in the directory throughout the year.

Some ideas to add to our already growing list of advertisers are electricians, heating/air conditioning companies, dental, gardening, plumbing, personal care such as barber shops, hair salons and nail care.

If anyone is interested in placing an ad in our 2026 Willow Ridge Directory, please complete the following request and mail to me at WRCA, Jane Sieman, P.O. Box 86, Amherst, NY 14226. I will be accepting ads until March 15th, 2026.

Thank You, Jane Sieman - Directory Editor
Telephone: 870-3412 - Email: jsie44@yahoo.com

